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SUBJECT : ASSISTANCE TO VISITOR, LEGISLATOR CH'I
- SHIH-YING

1. CH'I SHIH-YING (7871/0013/5391), MEMBER OF THE
LEGISLATIVE YUAN FOR LIAONING, WILL SHORTLY BE VISITING
THE U.S. AND HAS ASKED THE ASSISTANCE OF HIS FRIENDS IN
EA/ROC IN CONTACTING MUTUAL FRIENDS AND ACQUAINTANCES
IN THE U.S. CH'I IS SCHEDULED TO LEAVE TAIWAN ON JULY 16
FOR JAPAN. HE WILL THEN VISIT HONOLULU, LOS ANGELES,
SAN FRANCISCO, SEATTLE AND CHICAGO WHERE HE IS MAKING
ALL HIS OWN ARRANGEMENTS.

2. WASHINGTON: CH'I WILL VISIT WASHINGTON FROM AUGUST 7
TO 13 (STAYING AT PLAZA HOTEL). HE WISHES TO SEE FRIENDS
ROGER SULLIVAN AND HARVEY FELDMAN IN THE DEPARTMENT AND
SOME MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND STAFFERS INTERESTED IN
FOREIGN AFFAIRS. CONGRESSMAN DONALD FRASER WAS THE ONLY
NAME DIRECTLY MENTIONED, BUT OTHERS HE HAS MENTIONED ON
OCCASION INCLUDE SENATORS KENNEDY AND JACKSON. CH'I
SAID HE WOULD VALUE EA/ROC'S MAKING APPOINTMENTS AT ITS
DISCRETION. CH'I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SEE PROFESSOR
RAYMOND CLINE AT GEORGETOWN AND DOAK BARNETT AT BROOKINGS.

3. NEW YORK: CH'I WILL BE IN NEW YORK FROM AUGUST 13 TO
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17 AND WOULD LIKE TO SEE PERSONAL FRIENDS AMBASSADOR
JAMES LEONARD, FORMER AMBASSADOR DAVID OSBORNE, AND FSO
JACK FROBIE. HE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE SEEING PROFESSORS
IN THE CHINA FIELD AT COLUMBIA, BUT HE DID NOT SUGGEST
ANY INDIVIDUALS.

4. BOSTON: CH'I WILL BE IN BOSTON AUGUST 17 TO 19 AND

WOULD LIKE TO SEE PROFESSORS JEROME COHEN AND EDWIN O. REISCHAUER.

5. WE ARE SUGGESTING TO CH'I THAT HE CONTACT EA/ROC ON ARRIVAL TO FIND OUT WHAT HAS BEEN ARRANGED. CH'I SAYS THAT HE WILL BE ABLE TO GET THE ASSISTANCE OF AN ENGLISH-SPEAKING CHINESE STUDENT WHILE IN THE U.S. TO MAKE UP FOR THE DEFICIENCIES OF HIS ENGLISH.

6. CH'I IS WELL KNOWN TO EA/ROC, BUT WE THOUGHT A BRIEF UNCLASSIFIED BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH MIGHT BE USEFUL FOR PERSONS WHOM HE WILL BE SEEING FOR THE FIRST TIME:

- CH'I SHIH-YING WAS BORN IN LIAONING IN 1898. HE WAS EDUCATED IN JAPAN (IMPERIAL UNIVERSITY, KYOTO) AND GERMANY AND IS A SPECIALIST IN ECONOMICS AND POLITICS. IN 1954 HE WAS EXPELLED FROM THE KMT FOR OPPOSING GROUPOID POLICY OF INCREASING ELECTRIC POWER RATES. HE WAS INVOLVED IN NON-KMT POLITICAL ACTIVITY AND PARTICIPATED IN EFFORTS IN 1960 TO FORM AN OPPOSITION PARTY. HE WAS A POLITICAL MENTOR OF SUCH TAIWANESE POLITICIANS AS KAO YU-HSU AND WU SAN-LIEN AND IS CURRENTLY CONSIDERED AN ELDER AND RESPECTED STATESMAN BY THE CURRENT OPPOSITIONIST FIGURES. HE HAS SERVED ON THE LEGISLATIVE YUAN'S BUDGET, DEFENSE, AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEES. HE HAS BEEN A LONG-TIME SUPPORTER OF THE CONCEPT OF COOPERATION BETWEEN MAINLANDERS AND TAIWANESE IN THE

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CREATION OF A TWO-PARTY SYSTEM. IN GENERAL, HIGHLY REGARDED AS AN HONEST, PRINCIPLED POLITICAL FIGURE. UNGER

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